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of F. Kent Loomis, brother of the us: of Aberdeen furnishes another instance sistant secretary of state at Washing: of these unaccountable and unexplained ton, are fortunately rare, which is on the whole a matter for surprise. The sailing ship, in 1870, he vanished in ocean liners are nowheavs so immense the course of the trip, somewhere off and so densely crowded with human the coast of South America. No one freight that it is difficult, nay, almost saw him fall or throw himself overimpossible, for the officers of the ves- board, but one day he was missing. sel to maintain any efficient supervis- that was all. To add to the mystery ion and control of the passengers on by reason of a romantic adventure he board, and in view of the number of was sailing under an assumed name, "crooks," card sharps and desperate and nobody on board the ship was criminals of international infamy who aware of his rank and title. Conseare constantly traveling between New quently all sorts of complications en-York and the Old World, it is remark- sued, and several years elapsed before able that there should not be more of his next surviving brother, the present these disappearances at sea, since the Lord Aberdeen, was able to establish temptation to these men to take ad- his claim to the earldom, to the other vantage of heavy drinking or of mere peerages and to the extensive estates debility resulting from seasickness to in Scotland and in England. Even to rifle a passenger's pockets and then this day Lord Aberdeen is constantly to drop the victim overboard during a being menaced with suits from men lurch of the ship, under the cover of who allege that they are his missing darkness, concealed by the shadow of elder brother, and who put forward some deckhouse, must be at times al- claims to his peerages and to his esmost irresistible.

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were few and on steam yachts. The terious disappearances at sea. most mysterious case of all is probably that of the Landgrave William of certain amount of unpleasant notoriety Hesse, whose brother married Princess attaches itself to those who, either by Marguerite of Prussia, youngest sis- chance or by design, have been the aster of the kalser. The Landgrave Wil- sociates of the missing or dead man liam, who was a royal prince, nephew on shipboard, and Mr. Ellis, the proof the King and Queen of Denmark and moter, who was crossing the ocean a first cousin of Queen Alexandra of with Loomis, would have acted more England, disappeared on the night of October 14, 1888, while on his way in Paris or returned to this country from Batavia to Singapore. He was pending the attempts to clear up the in a voyage round the world at the time, accompanied by several officers, a physician and a large suite of servants. While at Batavia, where he was received with all royal honors, he suffered from a slight sunstroke, which immense value to his financial schemes did not, however, result in any symp- in Abyssinia, endowing him with a toms of aberration of the mind. In sailed from Batavia.

On the evening of October 14 he reising to join the members of his suite. Murray when the latter was found dead 10 Worcester Bidg, a few minutes later, on deck. On his Portland, Ore. failure to reappear on of the officers liner at sea, poisoned by cyanide of cabin empty. He immediately alarmed the other officers as well as the capwas instituted, which, however, proved fruitless. No trace of him could be found. As nobody had seen him on deck after his withdrawal to his cabin, the supposition is that, during a moment of sudden and temporary insanity, he must have worked his way New York Tribune. through the porthole and have thrown himself into the sea, though the porthole was by no means a large one, and it is difficult to conceive how he could have got through it and dropped into the water unnoticed.

Equally mysterious was the disappearance at sea, in almost the same latitude, of Lady Brassey, on September 14, 1887, that is to say, about a year previously. She had been visiting India with her husband. Lord Brassey, and was traveling on board her well known yacht, the Sunbeam, from Bombay to Melbourne. Her children were on board, and Inasmuch as both they and her husband were devoted to her, and her life had been reason whatsoever why she should have dinner was announced before Lady Brassey appeared, she informed Lord Brassey. The last named, who, like his daughters, had been under the imresting in her cabin, at once became alarmed and instituted a search, which failed to bring to light any trace of the unfortunate woman. The Sunbeam remained cruising about in the vicinity in the hope of recovering at least the body, but it was a vain hope at the best, since the seas in those latitudes are infested with sharks. Did Lady Brassey fall overboard or throw herself into the sea voluntarily? No one knows to this day. Her end has always been shrouded in mystery, and I doubt whether any one of those in this country who peruse the pages of that singularly charming book

entitled "The Voyage of the Sunbeam,"

which is to be found in every Ameri-

can library, public as well as private,

is aware of the strange fate of its

gifted author.

Disappearance at sea such as that; The elder brother of the present Earl disappearances at sea. While on a voyage from Boston to Melbourne by

Some 10 or 12 years ago a well known on board ocean liners should be so ar- New York banker, Adolph Ladenburg. watch, both by day and by night, a on a trip from the West Indies to New clear and unimpeded view of every York, and, although rumors have been part of the deck, so that no one could circulated from time to time that he fall or be thrown overboard without is still alive, yet they have proved to be without foundation. When past ex-The most notable disappearances periences are considered, it is doubtwhich bear analogy to that of Mr. ful if anything will ever be heard Loomis that have come under my no- again of Mr. Loomis, at any rate as tice did not occur on crowded ships, living, and his name will probably but on liners where the passengers have to be added to the list of mys-

Of course, in such cases as his satisfactorily had he either remained mystery, instead of possessing himself of the official document which Loomis was charged with conveying to Emperor Menelik of Abyssinia, and which, in the hands of Ellis, is naturally of species of official prestige which he would not have otherwise enjoyed.

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